GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS
LOK SABHA

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Safety Audit of Bridges
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Will the Minister of ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government has launched an Integrated Bridges Management System for the safety audits of all the bridges and provide online database of all bridges in the country, if so, the details thereof;

(b) whether the Government is also appointing an external auditor to ensure transparency and competitiveness in procurement for Government funded road projects that have a cost of over Rs. 100 crores, if so , the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government proposes to allot a unique identification number to every major or minor bridges on the entire National Highways network, if so, the details, thereof;

(d) the time by which the process of allotting unique identification is likely to be started and completed; and

(e) the other steps taken/being taken by the Government for timely maintenance of bridges and prevent and bridges becoming non-functional?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE
MINISTRY OF ROAD TRANSPORT AND HIGHWAYS

(SHRI PON. RADHAKRISHNAN)

(a): Yes Madam. Ministry has established Indian Bridge Management System to complete the inventorization and condition survey of all the Bridges on National Highways for a period of 3 years.

(b): Yes Madam. Ministry has appointed Independent External Monitor (IEM) to ensure transparency, equity and competitiveness in the project costing more than Rs. 100 Crore.

(c): Yes Madam. The software for giving Unique Identification Number has been developed.

(d): The process of allotting Unique Identification Number has already started.

(e): Necessary action are taken for timely maintenance of bridges to prevent the bridges becoming non-functional on case to case basis depending on the availability of funds.

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